

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 86 - HB 317

March 30, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes payment up to \$400 from the Criminal Injuries Compensation (CIC) Fund for the cost of sexual assault forensic medical examinations for victims of domestic assault or aggravated assault. Prohibits providers from billing a domestic violence victim and requires payment from the CIC fund to constitute full compensation to the provider.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$193,400/FY09-10

\$181,400/FY10-11 & Subsequent Years

\$2,325,600/FY09-10/CIC Fund

\$1,098,000/FY10-11 & Subsequent Years/CIC Fund

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$409,200/FY09-10/Victims of

Crime Act (VOCA) Fund

\$1,636,800/FY10-11 & Subsequent Years/VOCA Fund

Assumptions:

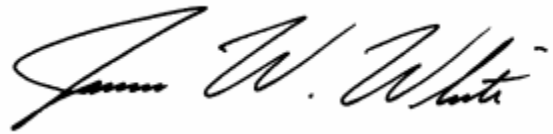
- According to the 2007 Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Crime Report, there were 68,209 incidents of domestic violence. The Treasury Department estimates 10 percent (6,820) would have resulted in physical injury and would require a forensic medical examination. The increase in state expenditures is \$2,728,000 (\$400 x 6,820).
- According to the Treasury Department, eligible payments could be claimed through the annual VOCA federal grant for reimbursement which is currently 60 percent of expenditures.
- The Treasury Department estimates a recurring increase in mailing costs of \$6,820 (6,820 claims x 2 mailings = 13,640 x 0.50 mailing expenses = \$6,820).
- In FY09-10, the state expenditures from the CIC fund will be \$2,318,800 (\$2,728,000 x 85%) plus \$6,820 mailing expenses for a total of \$2,325,620. The remaining \$409,200 will be federal expenditures from the VOCA fund. The Treasury Department would require four additional positions to process the additional claims. State expenditures will be

\$181,355 which includes salary and benefits (\$146,955) and supplies, rent, telephones, training, and other related items (\$34,400). The increase in one-time state expenditures for the four positions is \$12,000.

- In FY10-11 and subsequent years, the state expenditures from the CIC fund will be \$1,091,200 ($\$2,728,000 \times 0.40$) plus \$6,820 mailing expenses for a total cost of \$1,098,020. The remaining \$1,636,800 will be federal expenditures from the VOCA fund. The increase in recurring state expenditures for the four positions will be \$181,355 for salaries and benefits.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly distinguishable.

James W. White, Executive Director

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